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Justitia est constans et perpetua voluntas
jus suum cuique tribuendi.

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Editor's Foreword

To arrive at a correct understanding of justice has been the aim of moral and political philosophy from Greek antiquity to our own day. In this monograph Mr Nathan presents a contemporary examination of the concept. He analyses the meaning of the word 'just' and critically reviews principles of justice to which men actually adhere or which they could conceivably propose. The author's intention is not to preach a particular morality, much less to advocate a certain set of legal reforms. It is to clarify what men are doing when they think or speak in terms of justice and to show what can and what cannot logically be said in such terms.

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